REMARKS

The Notice (copy enclosed) required submission of a substitute specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52, 1.121(b)(3) and 1.125. It is respectfully submitted that the enclosed substitute specification presents no new matter. This submission of a substitute specification is made without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents.

Applicants respectfully note that the substitute specification contains the exact content of the specification as originally filed. Accordingly, the Preliminary Amendment filed January 27, 2004 should be applied to the enclosed substitute specification prior to examination of the application.

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